GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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PRIORITIES OF CIVIL AVIATION
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have identified any areas in civil aviation that would be undertaken for development on priority;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether these schemes have been approved by the Cabinet Committee on Security; and

(d) if so, by when these are likely to be implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a):- Yes Sir.

(b):- Government have identified following Priority / Thrust items relating to the Ministry of Civil Aviation -

(i) Formulation of a new Civil Aviation Policy to comprehensively address issues related to the Civil Aviation industry;

(ii)Strengthening of infrastructure facilities and passenger amenities at the four metro airports;

(iii) Expedite action for Cabinet decision on the proposed Joint Venture Mechanism;

(iv) Formulation of objective criteria for selection of private investors for Greenfield Airports and finalisation of the concession agreement between the Government of India and the Greenfield Airport Special Purpose Vehicle(SPV);

(v) Amendment of Airports Authority of India(AAI) Act, 1994; and

(vi) Enhancement of Airport Security by introducing advanced technology and by deploying specially trained security personnel from CISF.

(c):- No Sir.

(d):- Action relating to amendment of AAI Act, 1994 iscomplete with the passing of the Airports Authority of India Act (Amendment) Bill by the Parliament on 28.7.2003. Actions relating to the other Priority / Thrust items are at various stages of finalisation/completion and it will not be possible at this stage to forcast the time-frame by which these items would be completed / finalised.